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## (3) Remarks

Applicants' attorney wishes to thank the examiner for the courtesy extended during a personal interview at the patent office today. It is hereby confirmed that the substance of the interview is fairly presented in the Examiner's summary. Based on the above amendments, it is believed that claims 1-3 are should now be in condition for allowance.

Applicant will maintain all of the claims in the application until allowable subject matter is indicated, at which time the examiner is requested to reconsider the restriction and withdraw it if it has not been withdrawn by that time.

Applicants have made a significant contribution to the art of finishing doors and other objects to achieve a natural wood coloration with natural appearing graining. The process of the invention not only appears simple, it is simple – something a handyman or even a skilled cabinet shop owner will truly appreciate. The claims set forth the invention clearly and concisely in terms which distinguish from the prior art. Accordingly, allowance of all claims is believed in order and such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted

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